

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS**

**Call to Order:** By Chairman John Sinrud, on March 6, 2007 at  
8:10 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. John Sinrud, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Eve Franklin, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Bill Beck (R)  
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)  
Rep. Edith Clark (R)  
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)  
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)  
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)  
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)  
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)  
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)  
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)  
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)  
Rep. Rick Ripley (R)  
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)  
Rep. Jack Wells (R)  
Rep. Craig Witte (R)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Linda Keim, Committee Secretary  
Jon Moe, Pat Gervais, Pam Joehler, Greg Petesch,  
Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 806, 2/27/2007  
Executive Action: None

**HEARING ON HB 806**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:30 Rep. Bill Beck (R), HD 6, opened the hearing on HB 806, Biennial funding for justice, corrections, labor, military affairs, and PSC.

**Crime Control, Pg. D-1**

00:10:13 Rep. Beck

**Public Service, Pg. D-26**

00:11:39 Rep. Beck

**Dept of Corrections, Pg. D-29**

00:12:02 Rep. Beck

**Dept of Labor and Industry, Pg. D-47**

00:13:57 Rep. Beck

**Dept of Military Affairs, Pg. D-65**

00:15:41 Rep. Beck

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:18:05 David Ewer, Governor's Budget Director  
00:24:12 Mike Ferriter, Director, Montana Department of Corrections  
00:37:19 Sen. Steve Gallus  
00:39:48 Craig Anderson, Sheriff, Dawson County; also representing Cascade and Shelby Counties  
00:43:41 Pete Parsons, Correctional Officers, Dawson County  
00:45:56 Eric Burke, MEA/MFT  
00:48:50 J. D. Lynch, Community Corrections and Counseling, Butte; former Senator  
00:50:11 Keith Kelly, Commissioner, Department of Labor and Industry  
01:00:04 Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman  
01:02:31 Major General Randy Mosely, Director, Department of Military Affairs

**EXHIBIT**(aph47a01)

01:10:18 Craig Thomas, Executive Director, Board of Pardons and Parole  
01:16:31 Curt Belts, Fire Chief; also representing Montana Fire Chiefs, and the six regional Hazardous Material Teams  
01:22:40 Mike Thatcher, Administrator, Community Corrections and Counseling

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a06\)](#)

01:33:15 Mike Ruppert, CEO, Boyd Andrew Community Services  
01:38:48 Roger Hagan, Montana National Guard Officers and Enlisted Associations

#### **Informational Testimony:**

01:42:14 Linda Stoll, Missoula County  
01:43:20 Larry Fasbender, Deputy Director, Department of Justice  
02:03:55 Wayne Budt, Administrator, Transportation and Centralized Services Division, Montana Public Service Commission  
02:04:51 Don Hargrove, Montana Meth Project, former legislator  
02:11:11 Vance Curtis, Chairman, Montana State Board of Pardons and Parole  
02:15:27 Jennifer Hill-Hart, representing Kelsen Young, Executive Director, Domestic and Sexual Violence Program

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a07\)](#)

Sen. Cobb left written testimony for the record

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a08\)](#)

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:17:40 Rep. Kasten  
02:21:39 Mr. Farriter  
02:22:00 Rep. Kasten  
02:23:06 Sen. Gallus  
02:24:10 Rep. Kasten  
02:25:20 Mr. Anderson  
02:26:34 Rep. Hiner  
02:27:53 Rep. Beck  
02:28:26 Rep. Kasten  
02:29:30 Rep. Hiner  
02:30:32 Rep. Beck  
02:31:09 Ms. Gervais  
02:32:35 Rep. Hiner  
02:33:08 Mr. Ferriter

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02:35:18 Rep. Sinrud  
 02:37:07 Greg Petesch, General Counsel, Legislative Branch  
 02:37:20 Rep. Sinrud  
 02:49:52 Mr. Ferriter  
 02:50:53 Rep. Sinrud  
 02:51:14 Mr. Ewer  
 02:51:47 Rep. Sinrud  
 02:52:08 Rhonda Schaffer, Administrative Financial Services  
 Division  
 02:52:48 Rep. Sinrud  
 02:57:44 Mr. Schaffer  
 02:58:10 Rep. Callahan  
 02:59:57 Mr. Petesch  
 03:00:14 Rep. Callahan  
 03:03:33 Rep. Beck  
 03:04:14 Rep. Sinrud  
 03:05:51 Rep. Callahan  
 03:14:32 Rep. Sinrud  
 03:19:02 Rep. Sesso  
 03:27:33 Mr. Ferriter  
 03:27:45 Rep. Sesso  
 03:30:10 Rep. Beck  
 03:30:51 Rep. Sesso  
 03:31:43 Mr. Thatcher  
 03:38:04 Rep. Sesso  
 03:40:27 Ms. Jervais  
 03:41:26 Rep. Sesso  
 03:42:26 Rep. Beck  
 03:42:59 Rep. Sesso  
 03:43:31 Mr. Ferriter  
 03:44:26 Rep. Franklin  
 03:45:11 Mr. Lynch  
 03:47:21 Rep. Franklin  
 03:48:18 Mr. Ewer  
 03:50:22 Rep. Franklin  
 03:51:33 Rep. Jayne  
 03:53:38 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
 03:57:48 Mr. Fasbender  
 03:58:46 Rep. Jayne  
 04:01:32 Mr. Petesch  
 04:01:46 Rep. Morgan  
 04:07:47 Mr. Ferriter  
 04:09:19 Rep. Sesso  
 04:11:00 Mr. Anderson  
 04:13:51 Ms. Jervais  
 04:14:28 Rep. Sesso  
 04:15:31 Mr. Kelly  
 04:17:21 Rep. Sesso  
 04:18:46 Rep. Hiner  
 04:19:25 Mike Mahoney, Warden, Montana State Prison

04:23:11 Rep. Hiner  
04:23:36 Rep. Beck  
04:24:18 Rep. Morgan  
04:24:35 Rep. Beck  
04:25:32 Rep. Hiner  
04:28:58 Pam Bunke, Administrator, Community Corrections  
04:29:19 Ms. Schaffer  
04:29:49 Rep. Hiner  
04:30:33 Mr. Burke  
04:31:59 Rep. McChesney  
04:34:29 Rep. Beck  
04:34:47 Rep. McChesney  
04:37:14 Rep. Sinrud  
04:38:44 Rep. Franklin  
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04:54:55 Rep. Sinrud  
04:58:14 Rep. Franklin  
05:00:08 Rep. Taylor  
05:01:43 Mr. Ferriter  
05:02:14 Rep. Callahan  
05:04:14 Rep. Sinrud

**Closing by Sponsor:**

05:04:23 Rep. Beck

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 1:20 P.M.

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REP. JOHN SINRUD, Chairman

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LINDA KEIM, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([aph47aad.pdf](#))**